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1. EX-IM SCHEDULE IS VERY TIGHT, ESPECIALLY TO DO BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. SUGGEST I MEET THE CHAIRMAN AND HIS PARTY IN SYDNEY ON OCTOBER 28 AND BRING THEM TO CANBERRA, AND THAT HE INVITE PARTICIPANTS FROM MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY TO COME TO CANBERRA TO TRANSACT THEIR BUSINESS IF THEY HAVE MONEY TO LEND THE PARTICIPANTS WILL COME TO THEM AND WE HAVE ALL FACILITIES AT THE CHANCERY TO ACCOMMODATE THE MEETINGS. UNDER THIS PLAN THE GROUP COULD DEPART CANBERRA ON NOVEMBER 2 FOR A MEETING IN BRISBANE ON THE 3RD, WITH RETURN TO SYDNEY WHICH WOULD PERMIT DEPARTING AUSTRALIA ON THE 4TH AS REFTEL CALLS FOR.

2. AS THE CHAIRMAN HAS BEEN ADVISED WE THINK HIS MISSION WOULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE IF HE'S ACCOMPANIED BY HIS SPOUSE. THERE ARE FUNCTIONS SHE COULD PERFORM WITH CREDIT TO HER PRESENT RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, AND GOA OFFICIALS WOULD WELCOME HER.

3. IF THE CHAIRMAN ACCEPTS MY PLAN, SAY TO HIM HE AND HIS PARTY WOULD BE WELCOME GUESTS AT THE RESIDENCE. ALSO SAY TO HIM THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO EXPOSE HIM TO A KANGAROO AND POSSIBLY A KOALA BEAR.

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